



Township Register

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THE TOWNSHIP REGISTER, NILES, CALIFORNIA

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NEWARK PERFECTS DEFENSE PLANS FOR EMERGENCY

FIRE HOUSE DESIGNATED
TOWN'S "NERVE CENTER"
DURING BLACKOUTS, ETC.

NEWARK — Chief Joe Pashote of the Newark Fire Department called to order the first meeting of the Newark Auxiliary Group Tuesday evening, December 23 at 8 p. m. at the Newark Fire Station with an attendance of twenty men present. The purpose of this group is to assist the regular firemen during a blackout or air raid.

Chief Pashote pointed out that it would be impossible for fifteen men of the regular department to fight numerous fires during an air raid without the help of an Auxiliary Group. It was also stated that each individual citizen could do his or her part in extinguishing small fires by having receptacles filled with water, garden hoses attached to faucets, etc. without calling the department.

Each individual in this Auxiliary Group will be known as a Civilian Defense Warden. These wardens will not be allowed to operate firefighting equipment nor take active part in a regular fire when no blackout prevails. Their duty will be to assist in fighting fires during a blackout or air raid, such as laying out fire hoses and placing ladders.

Those men present who were interested in other activities such as First Aid, were asked to take special courses in such fields, as there is a demand for men in nearly every emergency group.

A suggestion was made by the Auxiliary Group to create sections in the town of Newark to fight fires within a certain locality during an air raid such as the Law and Order force had adopted. Further discussion on this matter was set aside until their next gathering Tuesday evening, December 29.

The Auxiliary Group also volunteered to help the regular firemen by staying on duty at the fire station each evening. A plan was proposed and adopted by Chief Pashote that one regular fireman and one man of the Auxiliary Group would be on one shift from 8 to 2 a. m. and another regular fireman and one Auxiliary man from 2 to 7 a. m. A full time schedule of men on duty for the month of January will be posted at the fire station.

Chief Pashote also suggested that a captain be elected for this group to confer with him at any time. Mr. Pashote did not want to be in charge of both groups, as he couldn't do two jobs at once in the right manner, so Louis Perry was appointed as chairman.

A diagram was explained on the blackboard by Chief Pashote showing where the Newark Fire Station would be the center for all communications from the following sources: (1) Sheriff's Deputies with H. J. Bolyard in charge; (2) Auxiliary firemen with Louis Perry in charge; (3) Boy Scouts to act as messenger boys; (4) controlling the town lights of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co.; (5) school with Principal Jack Macregor in charge; (6) contacting all plants within Newark; (7) contacting water company in case water mains should break; (8) Red Cross with Mrs. J. R. Truscott in charge; (9) and first aid.

OUR BOX SCORE

(Since the war started)
At Bat: United States, England, the Dutch and China.
Our Innings.

PUT-OUTS:

Jap submarines: 4
Jap cruisers: 4
Jap transports: 25
Jap destroyers: 7
Jap mine-sweepers: 1
Jap supply ship: 1
Jap motor ship: 1.
Nazi submarines: 15.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS

CENTERVILLE — Fifty cents of the pay of each of the 40 full-time employees of the Booth Cannery is being left with the company bookkeeper each payday with which to buy defense bonds, Buyer Charles Hatch announces. It is hoped other industrial concerns in Washington Township will take a similar patriotic step.

TOWNSHIP STATE GUARD CO. HEARS MUSTER UNCERTAIN

LETTER FROM ADJUTANT
GENERAL'S OFFICE SAYS
MUSTERING HAS STOPPED

CENTERVILLE — (Friday) — Twenty-six members of the Provisional Rifle Company met in the high school gymnasium here Friday evening to hear the chairman, Walter Waynflete read the following communication from the Adjutant-General's office, dated December 23. It was in answer to his wire of December 8 and special delivery letter of December 16.

Dear Sir:

The Adjutant General directs that I reply to your letter of December 16. Owing to the postponement of action by the Legislature and the uncertainty of the present situation, additional units of the California State Guard are not being mustered into state service at present.

We regret very much your difficulty in getting the company organized but it seems to have been unavoidable. (Editor's note: only 42 men had signed the roster up to the time the war started. Recruits ran this number up to 91 the night of Monday, December 8. The letter continues:) Should it become possible to authorize additional units, your organization will be given every consideration. Yours very truly, J. Pierce, Lt. Col., California State Guard, Executive Officer.

After hearing the reading of this letter from headquarters, expressing uncertainty that the Township Company could be mustered in even at a later date, the men themselves suggested holding the company together and continuing drill. In the event muster can not be had after the state legislature on and after January 12 determines the future status of the State Guard, the men proposed keeping the company as a Home Guard (rather than a State Guard) rifle company, and offering their services to the County Sheriff, as suggested by Committeeman Ray Peterson.

If retained as a Home Guard Rifle company the Company's fund, not now to be expended for uniforms, can be used to buy ammunition for range instruction and practice, or for other legitimate company expenses.

If this latter activity does not come into being, the members of the company proposed turning the entire sum over to the American Red Cross.

In the absence of Lieutenant J. L. Pearson of Niles as instructor, who was engaged in work for his employer that evening, the men drilled and held non-commissioned officers school under their own acting warrant officers.

Twenty-five enthusiastic members of the company assembled Friday night for an hour and a half of intensive drill directed by Lieutenant Pearson. The company will dispense with further Friday night drill periods, drilling only on Monday nights as usual.

REVEREND DAY TO CONVALESCENCE FOR TWO MONTHS

Word received at Niles Wednesday from Reverend R. C. Day who is recuperating in his daughter's home at Pasadena states that his doctor has ordered him to remain in bed another month, and it will be another month after that before he can resume his duties at the Niles Congregational Church.



from the Township Register Staff

Your Editor is deeply appreciative of the fine support given this newspaper and printing business during the past year by the many advertising and printing customers of Washington Township, as well as for the regular renewals of paid subscriptions by many hundreds of local families.

May your New Year, one and all be as Happy as prevailing world conditions permit.

"To earn a little, to spend a little less. — On the whole to make people happier for our being . . ." This is your ambition and mine.

With this issue The Township Register enters upon its 54th. year of consecutive publication, so far as can be ascertained by the present owner.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

— Walter Waynflete.

ONLY THREE KINDS OF SIGNALS ON NILES FIRE SIREN

Only three kinds of signals will be blown on the Niles fire siren, Chief A. M. Alves wishes to advise Niles citizens: one for fire, one for air raid warning, and the last for all clear.

The regular fire alarm will be the usual four continuous soundings of the siren, rising from low to high pitch, and holding the high pitch for several seconds. This alarm will sound familiar, as it is the regular warning which has always been used, and is controlled automatically.

The air raid alarm signal is operated manually by the chief, and consists of a series of sliding or warbling noises, up and down, up and down, the high note not being held for any length of time.

The all-clear signal is a continuous blast of the high note, held for two minutes. This signal is also manually produced. Citizens need not jump to extinguish their lights the instant the siren goes off, until they have recognized the alarm as an air raid warning, the chief advises.

POWER TO BE RATIONED ON PACIFIC COAST?

A weekly official summary received each Wednesday by this newspaper from the Director of the Office of Government Reports carried the following startling announcement under the heading of "Priorities":

The OEM announced war production demands will necessitate electrical power rationing and pooling for the Southeast, Southwest, Pacific coast and part of the Middle West during 1942 and 1943. The Priorities Division ordered owners of privately-financed defense housing projects to make definite statements on prices at which they will sell or rent the properties they construct. The division also issued new orders limiting uses of lead and tinfol, steel, burlap, wool, manila cordage, refined sugar, wire and wire products, spare tires, passenger cars and light trucks.

fore he can resume his duties at the Niles Congregational Church.

The board of trustees is meeting Sunday night to secure a supply for the coming two months of the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Duffie and Freddie spent Christmas in Alameda as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Driver.

AUTO LICENSE RENEWAL TIME BEGINS TODAY

Motor vehicle owners of Alameda County will not be notified by postcard this year of the amount they will be required to pay for 1942 license plates. The total amount due in registration and motor vehicle license fees will be found on the lower left hand corner of the 1941 registration card (white slip).

This announcement was received today by The Township Register from James M. Carter, Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles. Carter's announcement said:

The 1942 license plate renewal season opens January 2 at all branches and sub branches of the Department, all county Highway Patrol offices and at offices maintained by the automobile clubs. The nearest office is the highway patrol office in the city hall building at Hayward.

The plates to be issued will be of the cover strip type which will fit over the regular 1941 plates, the bolt holes corresponding to the upper bolt holes on this year's plates. If one or both of the 1941 license plates have been lost, stolen, mutilated or are illegible, the owner should apply at once for duplicates.

To reduce expenses, the total amount of the fee due has been placed on the lower left hand corner of the 1941 registration card. Cover or strip plates will be issued on registration renewals only. Regulation plates will be issued for new cars being registered for the first time.

Applications may be made either in person at any branch office or mailed to Sacramento. The renewal period expires February 4. Approximately 3,100,000 sets of plates have been ordered for the renewal season.

ALVARADO ORDERS NEW FIRE ENGINE TO COST \$7000

ALVARADO — A new 350-gallon capacity fire engine to cost approximately \$7000 has been ordered from a Stockton firm and is expected to be delivered at Alvarado in about 90 days, according to members of the fire commission.

Plans for a new fire hall are in the hands of the Alameda County architect according to F. H. Wiegman, commissioner, and a site for the building has been purchased on Smith Street not far from the grammar school. Principal J. C. Wasley was recently named fire chief of the re-organized depart-

DEPUTIES MEET

The Sheriff's Deputies of Niles met last Friday evening in Chairman E. F. Glassbrook's office at Niles and appointed 20 Air Raid Wardens. The group meets again tonight (Friday) at the same time and place to complete further organization. All the Deputies of the Township are to meet next Monday evening at the Alvarado Grammar school at which time it is expected Sheriff Gleason will, in person, check up the progress made, and issue further instructions. The Township Deputies meet regularly the first Monday evening of each month at the Alvarado Schoolhouse.

NURSING CORPS WELL ORGANIZED THROUGH TOWNSHIP

MRS. EDNA EBRIGHT
NAMES MRS. E. C. GRAU
CHAIRMAN OF SERVICE

CENTERVILLE — Mrs. Edna Ebright, Township health nurse has appointed Mrs. E. C. Grau of Niles chairman of the emergency nursing service of Washington Township, and will herself serve in an ex-officio capacity, cooperating with Miss Matilda Harris, chief nurse of Alameda County's health department.

Approximately 75 women of varying nursing experience have been enrolled, averaging about 10 from each of our communities. Among the total are 23 graduate nurses and five under-graduates. Miss Harris is directing the co-operation of the Township nursing service with those of Pleasanton and Livermore.

The emergency nursing service is organized under the county defense council and is affiliated with the Township Red Cross chapter.

Nine first aid cabinets, patterned upon one brought to the Township by Red Cross chairman Frank Dusterberry have been built by Fritz Waltenberger of Centerville and are being placed in the schoolhouses of each town, to be equipped by the nurse in charge in each community.

Mrs. Grau has designated Mrs. Laura Leask chairman of the Niles nurses and other town chairmen include Mesdames Vernon Willard, W. L. McWhirter, George Coefield, Alwin Searles, Edward Westphal, Allan Walton and T. D. Witherly.

The county health department's office in Centerville has been designated headquarters for the nurses of Washington Township.

RAINY DAYS JUMP LOCAL TOTAL TO 9.36 INCHES HERE

With rain falling here nearly every day and night since last week, particularly heavy falls reported Sunday and Monday the seasonal total of 6.58 to Wednesday morning of last week rose to 9.36 on Tuesday morning of this week, according to Southern Pacific railroad records kindly provided this newspaper by Niles Agent Harvey Braun.

The fall by days follows (note readings are taken each morning at 8 o'clock for the fall of the 24 hours preceding.)

To 8 a. m. Dec. 24	6.58
Dec. 26	.52
Dec. 27	.08
Dec. 29	1.77
Dec. 30	.41

Total 9.36

Note the inch and three quarters which fell here between Saturday and Monday mornings, as recorded in Monday morning's reading of the rain gauge at the Niles depot.

ment. Commissioners are A. A. Lee, Joe Lewis, Fred Joyce, John Ralph and Wiegman.

The Alvarado fire district was enlarged about a year ago to assume the same boundaries as those of the school district.

LOCAL JAPANESE TURN IN WEAPONS, RADIOS, MAKE MAPS

JAPANESE RESIDENTS
COOPERATING FULLY
WITH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CENTERVILLE — The united members of the Washington Township chapter of the Japanese-American Citizens League on Monday voluntarily turned in to the Sheriff's office at Hayward the following weapons, for which receipts have been issued to the owners:

71 guns and rifles,
1 pistol,
88 cameras.

This work was completed by the civilian defense and welfare committee of the local chapter of which Vernon Ichisaka is chairman. His committee includes Henry Konda, James Hirabayashi, Kazuo Shikano, Yasuto Kato, Mitsuo Nakamura, Akira Tsuno and Hiroshi Sekigahama.

The Township chapter, which includes 90 percent of the native-born Japanese in this Township on Monday also turned in about 50 radio sets, under orders of Sheriff Gleason, to local radio repair men, to have the short wave facilities of these sets rendered inoperative. When this work is done, local owners may again use the standard broadcast facilities of their radio sets, with the Sheriff's permission.

The local Chapter, at the Sheriff's request is drawing up a detail map of Washington Township, with a dot showing the home of each Japanese family, foreign as well as American born, together with the number in family, telephone number and mail address. The Sheriff is to have one of these maps in his office and the local Chapter will retain a copy in the home of one of its officers, in order to assist the Sheriff's office should occasion require.

The Red Cross Auxiliary of the JACL met Saturday at the high school sewing room and elected Mrs. L. Ando chairman to assist in the current special Red Cross drive for funds among the Japanese residents. New Women's Auxiliary officers are Shizu Mitsuyoshi, president; Nora Sakaki, vice president and Mrs. M. Nagai, secretary-treasurer.

DEFENSE STAMPS SOLD OUT AT NILES OFFICES

Defense stamps in the 10c and 25c denominations have been sold out twice during the past week at the Niles Postoffice and the Central Bank in Niles. The first sell-out occurred Christmas Eve, after which a new supply was received and the new supply was sold out at both places by Monday evening of this week.

Only the Sprouse-Reitz store had a small supply of the lower denomination defense stamps still on hand as this was written Tuesday.

Coming Events

TODAY

Automobile license renewal period opens. Closes February 4.

8 p. m. Sheriff's Deputies and assistants of Niles only, meet in Water Company office at Niles.

8 p. m. Members birthday meeting of Niles Rebekah lodge.

MONDAY

Township schools resume classes for spring terms.

8 p. m. Sheriff's Deputies of Washington Township meet at Alvarado Grammar school.

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p. m. Men's Fellowship monthly dinner at Niles Congregational Church.

THURSDAY

2 p. m. Irvington P. T. A. meets at Grammar school.

DAMAGED DOCUMENT

MRS. LESDA BROWN HEADS EASTERN STAR CHAPTER HERE

CENTERVILLE — Mrs. Lesda Brown of Newark was installed as worthy matron of the Orient Chapter of Eastern Star at colorful exercises held here recently. Franklin Brown was installed as worthy patron and about 100 members and guests from the Bay region were present to enjoy the formal ceremonies and the social hour which followed.

Other officers seated were Mary Griffen and R. A. Griffen, worthy matron and patron Fern Mitte, secretary (for the 26th term); Elvy Wyatt, treasurer; Anna Bradford, conductress; Marguerite Cadore, associate conductress; Evangeline Muller, chaplain; Marjorie Webb, marshal; Irene Kibby, organist; Sadie Hodges, warder; Ed Richmond, sentinel and star points, Lois Gravestock, Leona Rutter, Dora Richmond, Sophie Runckel and Dora Mae Scudder.

SPECIAL DISTRICT TAXES INCREASE IN THIS COUNTY

County, school and special district taxes levied by Alameda county for 1941 were \$523,769 higher than the levies by these same governments in 1940, according to a study of taxes levied by counties in California, just completed by California Taxpayers' association. These are the county, school, and special district tax levies presented to the people in their county tax bills, the first half of which were delinquent December 5, the association stated. City tax levies are not included in the figures, it was pointed out.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

The Presbyterian Churches in Newark and Centerville were open all New Year's Day to worshippers and the Pastor, Reverend J. L. Webster held special short services at 8:30 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. at Newark and at 7:30 p. m. at Centerville, in observance of the President's request for nation-wide prayers that day by all The People.

PHONE COMPANY CLEARS IMPORTANT MESSAGES FIRST

N. R. Powley, president, The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, commenting on the Pacific Coast increased telephone demands as a result of the war situation stated today:

"Never in its history has our company handled, in a similar period, the tremendous volume of telephone traffic which the extraordinary demands for telephone service have placed on our system in the last two weeks.

"We deeply appreciate the fine cooperation and understanding of the telephone using public and their splendid assistance in not making other than the most urgent calls which greatly aid us to 'get the message through' for telephone calls important to defense."

Levies by the county, school, and district governments in the county totalled \$15,312,454 for the present year, compared with \$14,788,685 for 1940-41, the association found.

To safeguard and preserve the American way of life — buy Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps.

Church News



CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROSARY — DECOTO

Rev. T. Hennessy, Pastor
8:30 a.m. Second and fourth Sundays.
10:00 a.m. First, third and fifth Sundays.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH NILES

Rev. T. Hennessy, Pastor
Hours of Sunday Masses
8:30 a.m. First, third and fifth Sundays.
10:00 a.m. Second and fourth Sundays.

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH Centerville

Rev. Arnold J. Nash Rector.
11 a. m. Morning Worship.
7:30 p. m. Evening services.

DECOTO NEWS

Mrs. Edmund Francis
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Alwin Searles and son, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Searles, and Miss Kathryn Grasselin, attended a Christmas Eve party given at the home of Judge Norris at Centerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel O. Silva and family enjoyed their Christmas dinner at the home of relatives in Mountain View.

Mrs. Annie Duarte has been confined to her home here with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Brown and son Jerry, and Mrs. Manuel Brown, spent Christmas Day at the home of relatives in Manteca.

Mrs. Harry C. Searles is confined to her home with an attack of the mumps.

Tony Amaral, of the J. L. Olson & Co., has taken over the notary public office, formerly held by the late Olson.

Mrs. Agatha Zwissig entertained her children and their families at a dinner at her home here on Christmas Day.

IRVINGTON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Arthur A. Kirk, minister.
10:00 a. m., Sunday School.
11:00 a. m., Church Worship.
Mr. Kirk will preach.
6:00 p. m., Christian Endeavor at Newark Church.

WASHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN PARISH

Rev. J. L. Webster and Mr. Arthur Kirk, Pastors.
The quarterly communion service will be held Sunday at both churches.

NEWARK CHURCH

10 a. m. Morning Worship and Sunday School.
7:30 p. m. Evening Service.

CENTERVILLE CHURCH

10 a. m. Morning Worship.
Sunday school — Younger children at St. James Episcopal, older children at the Presbyterian church. Parents can attend the church service while the children are in classes.

Mrs. Mary Pimentel is confined to a hospital, where she is recovering from an operation following the amputation of a toe, which has badly infected her foot and leg.

Marie Milina is spending her Christmas vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zac Rocha at Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Andrade and family have moved from their home in Alviso and are now residing on the Salz Ranch, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Silva.

Miss Mary Sumaquero has accepted a position as a secretary in an Oakland office.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. Salz and son Earle, have returned home from a week's vacation spent in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Galarsa entertained friends and relatives at their home here on Christmas eve.

Mr. and Mrs. John Enos, Sr., entertained Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vargas and children of Warm Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Souza of Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Enos of San Leandro, Mr. and Mrs. John Enos, Jr., and daughters, and Mrs. Helen Milina and children, at a dinner at their home here on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Muniz enjoyed their Christmas dinner in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Aguilar, and family have moved to 14th Street here, where they purchased a home.

Tony Cortez, drafted, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cortez.

MASONS INSTALL

CENTERVILLE — The Masonic lodge here installed Warren Gravestock as master, together with a full slate of new officers at a formal ceremony held in the lodgeroom here Tuesday evening. Numbers of invited guests were present in addition to the membership.

FOOTBALL PICTURES MAY BE HAD; JUST "ASK ASSOCIATED"

As a special service to fraternal organizations, service clubs and other similarly constituted groups interested in football, films of the 1941 East-West Shrine football game are available for showings according to an announcement made today by Harold R. Deal, manager of advertising and sales promotion of the Tide Water Associated Oil Company.

With interest at the present time focused on the coming Shrine game, originally scheduled to have been played in San Francisco on New Year's Day but shifted to New Orleans for January 3, 1942 due to the expressed wish of military authorities to avoid large assemblages in Pacific Coast cities, the film of the last Shrine game is particularly time for football fans.

Program chairmen of groups desiring to have the film shown before the members of their organization may do so by contacting the local office of Tide Water Associated Oil Company according to Deal who pointed out that since undoubtedly many requests would be received, it would be well to make application at as early a date as possible.

The Service Schools of the U. S. Navy, where sailors are trained, are divided into three classifications. Class A schools offer elementary instruction in certain specialties to recruits; Class B supplement the training afloat by giving more advanced instruction in certain specialties to selected, experienced enlisted men; and Class C schools give advanced instruction in certain subjects not normally a part of shipboard teaching.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP DINNER PLANNED NEXT WEDNESDAY

E. F. Glassbrook, president of the newly organized Men's Fellowship of the Niles Congregational Church says he sees no reason, unless an emergency occurs meantime why the dinner planned "B.W." for next Wednesday night in the Guildroom of the Niles Congregational Church should not be held.

A. J. Rathbone of Centerville is dinner chairman, and W. T. Lindsay is program chairman. Members will be asked to wear their Christmas neckties!

Fresh eggs are probably the most popular part of the menu of the United States Navy. In one year over 146,016,000 are consumed.

Read Your Paper Thoroughly



Let us give a toast to the bright young New Year! Let us drink to the better, happier days we know must lie ahead in 1942!

And here's to you, our loyal friends and customers! Good health, good cheer, and—HAPPY NEW YEAR!

NILES SWEET SHOP

Dorothy Nickel, Mgr.
Niles



In crowning the New Year king for another 365 days we close the door upon past mistakes and look hopefully forward to a year of greater fulfillment. The progress of the past is but our starting point, and now, thanks to the support you have given us, we have set still higher goals of service and value to our customers.

That the New Year may usher in for you a new era of Prosperity, Health and Happiness is our sincere wish.

WESLEY HOTEL

Pratali and Moise
Niles

In Grateful Appreciation.

Ship Ahoy!

Yes, we would need a whole ship to carry our messages of appreciation and good will to all our friends whose loyalty to us has made 1941 a banner year.

That 1942 may bring you joy, health and prosperity is the wish of every member of this organization.

VIEUX BROS.

Electric Appliances

Jack Vieux

Niles

BEST WISHES TO ALL



CARD OF THANKS



Just a little New Year's wish for our many good friends. May all the cards be in your favor during 1942!

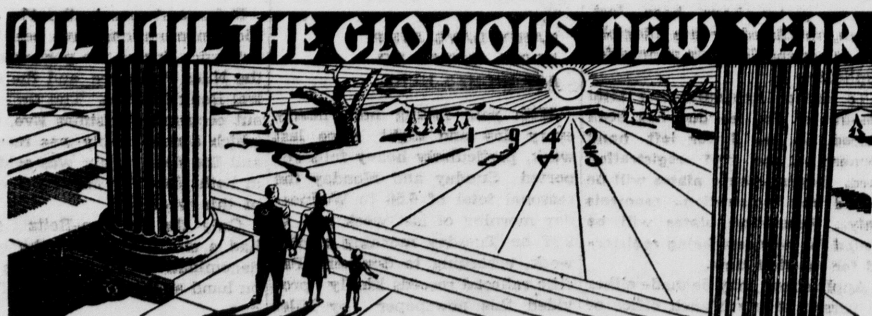
This past year we have been more keenly aware than ever of the value of your friendship. Only because of friends like you have our growth and service been possible. We thank you sincerely and wish for you a streak of good luck that will continue for 365 days.

HENRY MILLER CLEANING SERVICE

THE NILES CLEANERS

Niles 94

Centerville 183



...and New Year's Greetings to You!

Standing on the threshold of the New Year we look forward with great faith in the future, confident that the important and impressive lessons of 1941 will help light the way for 1942. Every member of this organization joins in wishing for you and yours a full realization of those fine opportunities and blessings of which the New Year is agent and herald.

And now as the New Year dawns we again express our appreciation to you and your neighbors for having contributed in such an important way to our continued success in this community.

P. C. HANSEN LUMBER CO.

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California

GREETINGS



You've rung the bell for us, and we're ringing it now for you—ringing in 365 grand and glorious days of health, happiness and prosperity for 1942.

This is our wish for you at this happy New Year season.

FLORENCE RESTAURANT
Niles



RING OUT THE OLD! RING IN THE NEW!

A WORLD grown tired and weary is reborn at the stroke of 12! In sending you our New Year greetings it is with the wish that the joyous spirit of New Year's Day will extend far into the year, and that 1942 will bring you more of life's real values than any year that has gone before.

SCOTT'S SHOE STORE
H. L. SCOTT
Niles



We are glad to say farewell to 1941 and rejoice with you at the dawn of the New Year, for we truly believe it opens wide the portals to better things.

We hope that Father Time, with his quiver full of days, has many golden ones reserved for you, and that your New Year celebration will be full of jollification and enjoyment.

D.R. REES
PHARMACIST
Niles New Drug Store
Niles

NEWARK SUFFERS MANY BAD FIRES DURING 1941

NEWARK — According to statistics released by the Newark Fire Department last week the town of Newark suffered more residence and grass fires in 1941 than during the years 1939 and 1940.

Some of the worst fires during the year were as follows:

On May 5 the home of Tony Lewis on Thornton Avenue, which was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Orval Vance suffered a \$200 loss.

The worst fire of the year occurred May 15 when the Southern Pacific Depot suffered a total loss of \$16,000. This fire burnt 200 gallons of kerosene and thousands of dollars worth of material inside and outside the depot such as numerous Wedgewood stoves. This fire was proven later in court to have been started by a transient from the East who was in an unbalanced state of mind.

On October 30 a fire at the home of Fred Muller on the corner of Cherry Road and Thornton Avenue, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harland Johnson, occasioned a \$500 loss.

Another was the hay stack at Milani's Dairy caused by spontaneous combustion. The estimated loss at this fire was \$800.

The worst grass fire of the year occurred October 3 when twenty acres of grass and chicken sheds were destroyed on Gus Kouns property two miles east of Newark. The departments from Newark, Centerville, and Alameda county battled this fire for several hours and saved a house and water tank.

JUNIOR TRAFFIC PATROL ENJOYS CHRISTMAS PARTY

CENTERVILLE — The Centerville Elementary School Junior Traffic Reserve enjoyed their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 23. The patrol was treated to a Christmas dinner and then enjoyed "Rise and Shine" starring Jack Oakie which was shown at a theatre in San Jose. The squad was accompanied by Principal Thomas P. Maloney and Mr. Dallas Paul.

The officers in charge of arrangements were Captain Harold Alameda, Sergeant Ben Oku, Lieutenant Arthur Thomas and Officer Jimmy Bucol.

The Christmas party was made possible through the cooperation of the Centerville Lions Club which sponsors the Junior Traffic Reserve here.

GAME SUNDAY?

NEWARK — The baseball game scheduled between the Newark Sportsmen and the Hayward Acorns Sunday at the Newark school grounds was postponed due to wet grounds. If weather permits these same clubs will play Sunday at Newark. Due to weather conditions two Sundays in succession the start of the second half of the Alameda County Winter League has been delayed. Word was received Sunday that Manager Henry Nunes, who was very ill at his home, is reported improving and hopes to be with his ball players Sunday when they tangle with Hayward.

Neighborhood NEWS

AIR RAID SIREN DONATED FOR ALVARADO USE

ALVARADO — A siren formerly used by the Holly Sugar plant for fire alarms and other factory signals has been donated to the town of Alvarado for use in air raid warnings. The siren has been installed on top of the Dinsmore store and in a test made several days ago proved effective throughout the Alvarado section.

The siren was abandoned by the Holly Sugar plant when the new factory was built several years ago because a change in voltage made it impracticable. Special connections were installed by the P. G. & E. when the siren was placed at the Dinsmore store.

DEPUTIES NAME 23 ASSISTANTS IN NILES AREA

Twenty-three Air Raid Wardens or Civilian Defense Wardens were appointed up to Monday of this week in Niles only to assist the Sheriff's Deputies in their work during future blackouts or other emergencies.

Niles Chief E. F. Glassbrook expects several more names will be added at the general meeting to be held in Niles this Friday evening, probably in the Justice courtroom, at which time Deputy Sheriff Peter Starasinc will further organize the group.

The full list of Niles Deputies, their assistants, and their sectors in Niles will be published in the next issue of this newspaper.

HOLLY SUGAR PLANT PROCESSES LOTS OF SUGAR

ALVARADO — The big Holly Sugar plant completed a four and a half month's run here and closed down last week until next August.

A total of 400,000 hundred-pound sacks of sugar processed from 130,000 tons of beets was the season's output according to Ben Koontz, superintendent. This was slightly less than last year due to Government curtailment of crops.

During the year the company has also built a new 75,000 bag storehouse for pulp which is sold for cattle feed. Of the 235 men employed all but 75 are seasonal workers who are engaged in harvesting and cultivation of vegetables and fruit or engaged in other activities during the remainder of the year.

FIRE ALARM SOUNDS IN NILES; "CALL THE CHIEF"

For the first time since the war started the Niles fire siren blew an alarm for fire Tuesday forenoon. But there was no fire. District Attorney Hoyt wanted Alameda County firemen to meet with the chief of the London fire department in Oakland that afternoon and desired to contact all the county chiefs.

Instead of calling Chief A. M. Alves at the Hansen Lumber company the siren was touched off. Anyway, the chief got the message, and local residents could readily recognize the difference between an air raid warning and an ordinary fire alarm.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

NEWARK — Despite the world situation this year Newark showed the spirit of Christmas very well when practically every home and business place had an inside Christmas tree or wreath at the window. There were many family gatherings at individual homes Christmas eve and also on Christmas day. Large crowds were present at the Christmas services both at St. Edward's Church in Newark and the Newark Presbyterian Church.

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JAPANESE HELD FOR POSSESSING CONCEALED WEAPON

His bail reduced from \$2000 to \$500 on Friday by Justice J. A. Silva at Niles, an alien Japanese, Yukio Kita, 40, Irvington trucking operator was bound over to the superior court on a charge of possessing a concealed weapon.

Deputy Sheriff H. C. Hansen testified he had found a revolver, a shotgun and a rifle in Kita's home on Bay Street in Irvington, and Deputy Sheriff Henry Vervais said he had heard Kita admit he was an alien and owned the revolver produced as evidence at the hearing.

The attorney defending the Japanese said his client had lived in this community for the past 24 years and had no subversive record.

Y. L. I. UNIT TO AID IN DEFENSE PROGRAM

One afternoon a month will be devoted to defense work by members of DeGuadalupe Institute of Y. L. I., it was decided at a meeting following the annual Christmas party.

According to Mrs. Lena Bertolotti, president, 40 or more members will do whatever kind of work may be assigned to them, but a desire for first aid work or an ambulance unit has been expressed. Time of meetings has been changed to the first Sunday afternoon and the third Thursday afternoon of each month.

Mrs. Vernon Willard, of Alvarado, has been initiated. Those in charge of the recent Christmas party were Mayme Roderick, Marie Pierce, Isabel, Mary and Edna Azeveda, Mabel Abreu, Carolyn Mattos, Mary and Cecil'a Janeiro, Mamie Perry, Angie Vargas, Eva Jason, Adeline Santos, Nell Rogers and Madeline Santos.

Figures show that the great number of recruits in Uncle Sams' Navy enlist because they want to learn a trade. The most popular trades are aviation metalsmith, welding, machinist and electrician.

Upon completion of twenty years of service in the U. S. Navy, a sailor, if physically fit, can transfer to the Fleet Reserve and receive one-half of his base pay.



★ ★ ★ A THOUSAND THANKS ★ ★ ★

Let us all make merry and be jolly, for there is reason sufficient. New leadership is at the Wheel of Time and brighter ports are in the offing.

As for ourselves, under the same leadership and with the same friends to help us we expect to reach new heights of service to this community in 1942. A thousand thanks for past favors.

We wish you a holiday of unbounded merriment and joy, and a New Year replete with benefits and blessings.

NILES MEAT MARKET

Arnold Bellini, Proprietor

THE NILES MARKET

"The Red and White Store"
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What is it that you wish for most? Let us tell you of our most wished for wish. We wish we had but one opportunity to rub Aladdin's Magic Lamp to summon forth the Geni to make that most wished for wish of yours come true.

We owe you much more than mere wishes, of course, for the loyalty you have shown us during the years. And we will try to repay our debt to you—during 1942—with still better values, still greater service.

CRANE GARAGE

Niles



WE welcome the New Year because we know it marks the beginning of another chapter. The stage is set for another act.

Looking backward we see the things we might have done, but did not. Looking forward we see the things we plan and resolve to do. May the sun shine brighter, the days grow longer, may new hope invigorate and cheer us. The Year of Grace One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-two is at hand, and we welcome its arrival.



We also welcome the New Year because we know it will bring many new opportunities to be of service to you, and to express through this service our sincere appreciation of your friendship. We wish you a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!



EL PAJARO BEAUTY SHOP

Marjorie Moore
Niles

NEWARK

Eugene Pashote
Correspondent

Mrs. Maude Jolly and Mrs. Marjorie Jolly of Pleasanton; Marc Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. William Kune of San Francisco spent Christmas visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jolly.

Dee James was rushed to the San Jose hospital Thursday afternoon with a ruptured appendix.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bach celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at their home here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lazzarini and family of Los Angeles, formerly of Newark, visited relatives here over the Christmas holidays.



TO EVERY PATRON AND FRIEND WE SAY HAPPY NEW YEAR, AND WE SAY IT WITH ALL THE HEARTINESS AT OUR COMMAND.

WHATEVER SUCCESS WE HAVE ENJOYED DURING 1941 HAS BEEN OF YOUR MAKING. WITH THE THOUGHT IN MIND WE PLEDGE RENEWED EFFORTS AND DETERMINATION TO SERVE YOU STILL BETTER DURING THE YEAR AHEAD.

SPROUSE - REITZ STORE

Milton and Ethel Fournier

Niles



And now we're ready to sponge off the slate and start a spotless page. May that page of 1942 be the red letter page of all your lives . . . may the records which are to be written thereon become more glowing and successful as the year advances, and may the chief entries of Auditor Time be Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

AMERICAN GARAGE

Louis DiGuilio

Niles



A TOAST TO OUR FRIENDS

Now—when that priceless thing called Time occupies the spotlight, we pause to consider that priceless thing called Friendship. In our business we could not be without it, and because we value it so highly we are de-

termined, during 1942, to take still further steps to merit your continued friendship and loyalty to us.

May the sands of the hourglass bring you many golden hours of happiness in the year to come.



E. E. DIAS

Contractor

Niles

BUY U.S. DEFENSE BONDS!



For the Red Cross Drive in Newark Tony Francis and Sam Scott have been appointed to take charge.

The evening meetings of the Y. L. I. of Washington Township have been changed until further notice. Afternoon meetings will now be held the first and third Sundays and Thursdays of the month. Sunday meetings will be devoted to business and social, while Thursday meetings will be devoted to National Defense work.

Miss Louise Costa was entertained by friends from San Francisco at dinner Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Foster spent Christmas at Modesto visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Costa.

Mrs. M. Oliver, Mrs. Dorothy Bishop and daughter Mary Lou, of San Jose; Mrs. Jack Oliveria of Watsonville; Mrs. Manuel Oliveria and daughter of Monterey spent Saturday here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Nevis.

Mrs. Grace Bauch, Mrs. Grace Lester, Sidney and LeRoy Devens of Oakland spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferry.

Mrs. John Wolfe of Newark had her tonsils removed Saturday at the San Jose Hospital. She is reported to be improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tosti and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Costa and Shirley spent Christmas visiting at the home of Mrs. Anthony Knobles.

Robert Scott of San Francisco and Mr. and Mrs. John Pauly of Hayward spent Christmas day visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Scott.

Corporal James Collins of Newark is on active duty with the California State Guard stationed on the Bay Bridge.

Frank R. Sliva returned home Saturday after an appendicitis operation performed at the East Oakland hospital.

Mrs. W. Wyatt and son William spent Christmas visiting relatives and friends in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pope spent Christmas at San Francisco.

SALE OF GASOLINE HITS NEW HIGH DURING NOVEMBER

SACRAMENTO — On the basis of November gasoline sales in California a new all-time record for income from this tax source has been established, Richard E. Collins, Chairman of the State Board of Equalization, reported today.

Taxable sales of gasoline sold in November amounted to 179,742,806 gallons against which the Board assessed a tax of \$5,392,284, an increase of 12.35 per cent over the same month of the previous year.

Collins pointed out that this tax brought the total for the 11 months of 1941 up to \$58,231,517.06, or \$1,508,230.70 more than was collected during the entire 1940 calendar year.

The November sales brought the total distribution of motor vehicle fuel up to 1,940,050,963 gallons. As a result, it was assured that the total for the year would pass the two-billion-gallon mark for the first time in the history of the State.

DEFENSE BOND QUIZ

Q. In a payroll-allotment plan, is an employee committed to purchase any stated amount of Defense Bonds — say, \$100, \$300, or \$500 worth?

A. No. The payroll-allotment plan is part of the voluntary Defense Savings Program for encouraging the public to save systematically. An employee may drop out of a payroll-allotment plan at will. There is no compulsion.

Q. Where are Defense Savings Stamps on sale?

A. At post offices, most banks, savings and loan associations, great numbers of stores. Look for the sign: Defense Savings Stamps on Sale Here.

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GOVERNMENT NEEDS STENOGRAPHERS; APPLY AT ONCE

The Government needs stenographers for National Defense. It is estimated that the government has approximately 85,000 stenographers, typists and secretaries on the payroll. Many young men and women are responding to the call. Thousands more are needed.

Aside from the present emergency, the opportunities for stenographers in the government service are favorable. Good stenographers are always in demand. The positions pay \$1,440 a year to start, with a good chance for advancement to positions of greater responsibility, such as secretarial positions, in the case of those who have the ability.

The examination announced by the Civil Service Commission for stenographers is open until further notice. The examination consists solely of a dictation test at 96 words a minute and transcription of notes. All persons who can qualify are urged to apply now.

The stenographer examinations are held at several hundred cities throughout the United States. In order to arrange for greater convenience to applicants, the Commission is planning to increase the number of places where the examinations will be held.

The proper application form may be obtained from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at any first or second-class post office or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C.

To provide more living quarters for government employees, especially for those in the lower-income groups, there has been begun, under government sponsorship, a building program for constructing thousands of apartments, dormitories and homes in Washington, D. C.

NOVEMBER TRAPPING

SAN FRANCISCO — The well-trained predatory animal control force of twenty-three trappers and four lion hunters of the California State Division of Fish and Game continues to make an enviable record. During the month of November the trappers took a total of 355 coyotes, 123 bobcats and 257 other predators. It is expected the catch for December will almost equal the November record in spite of the onset of the rainy season.

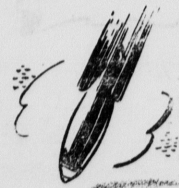
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Don't take this lying down.

AUTO-GRAPHS

All things come to those who wait but pedestrian accident statistics of the Department of Motor Vehicles show the middle of the street is a poor place to wait for friends.

Swigging behind the wheel, avers James M. Carter, Director of Motor Vehicles, usually means sweating before the judge.



Just as a snowball grows bigger as it rolls downhill so may the blessings of the New Year grow bigger for you as the months roll by.

We are going to give you more reason than ever in 1942 for giving us your valued patronage.

WINTERS WELDING WORKS

Niles



OUR WISH

May this New Year mean for you a joyous strengthening of old ties and associations, and a happy gain in the number of those you count as friends. May it mean more health, more prosperity, more joy of living.

NILES TAILOR SHOP

"Tom The Tailor"

Niles



★ We'd like to say heaps more than just "thank you," and heaps more than just "Happy New Year," because your kindness has meant so much to us in 1941.

★ We'll say it during 1942, not with mere words, but with more value and more service written into every transaction.

★ So at this time we simply say thank you, and Happy New Year!

SOLON BROS.

Cy and Leon

Niles

Note — To buy Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office, bank, or savings and loan association; or write to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C. Also Stamps are now on sale at retail stores.

The regular hunting season is about over but there's no closed season on pedestrians. Look before you walk, advises the California Highway Patrol.



Happy New Year!

At this joyous season we wish to express our sincere feeling of good will and friendship to the many friends and customers whom it has been our privilege to serve during 1941.

May you ride "high, wide and handsome" every day in 1942, and may the best of everything be in store for you and yours.

BERT'S BARBER SHOP

Bert Silveria, Prop,
Niles



Here's a parachute jumper we will all welcome as he comes floating down out of December's last dark skies. We hope he is bringing many bright, happy days for you!

You have been good to us in the past, and we want to say "Thanks for everything." Happy New Year, and— we'll be seeing you!

JOE'S CORNER

Joe Viveiros, Prop.
Niles



★ For many years at this time we have been wishing you a Happy New Year, and have found joy in the doing of it. This year it seems even more appropriate because of the troubled times through which we have passed.

★ We dedicate ourselves to still greater service to you, to greater courtesies. Everyone in this concern feels this responsibility and accepts it gladly.

FERNBROOK INN

Peerless Stage Depot
Angelo Vallergera
Niles

Niles Theatre Offers Pottery Free to Ladies

"Smilin' Bill" Helm, manager of the Niles Theatre is proud to announce to his women patrons that starting now that each lady holding an adult ticket on Wednesday evenings will be presented with a Mode ovenware bowl. The pieces include a nesting set of six bowls, a massive casserole, a utility casserole, and pie-bakers.

The pieces will withstand all oven temperatures and represent a sensational value.

Every admission ticket entitles the woman patron to a piece, each Wednesday night and she may select which she wishes until her set is completed. The ladies (and their escorts and children) can continue to come to the Niles Theatre for good entertainment, even after their sets are completed, he points out, because they can always see late pictures.

IRVINGTON

Miss Agnes Raymond
Correspondent

Mrs. George Gomes has returned to her home in Irvington after spending several days with relatives in Hanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Nunes of Sunnyvale spent the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Marshall of Irvington.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fernandes of Turlock spent the Christmas holiday with the M. G. Medeiros family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mette and son Billy are spending this week at their summer home in the Santa Cruz mountains, where Mr. Mette is resting after a recent operation at the San Jose hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eisenhart of Monterey visited at the home of Mrs. Mary McConky last weekend.

Mrs. Marian Mello of Turlock visited her daughter, Mrs. Philbert Silva of Irvington this past week.

Miss Martha Mack returned to her home on Tuesday after spending several weeks with relatives in Oakland.

Shirley Gallagos has returned to her home after spending several days with relatives in Fresno.

Bob Groat of Irvington had several relatives from San Francisco at his home for Christmas dinner last Thursday.

Mrs. C. W. Moore, a recent resident of Irvington who is now residing in Ferndale, visited friends in this city last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Galey and family are now visiting relatives in Oklahoma and are expected to return to their home in Irvington within the next two weeks.

Mrs. Mary McConky and daughter, Mrs. Elsie Rogers spent New Years day with relatives in Monterey.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garcia and daughter Lorraine of Turlock visited Mr. and Mrs. Pete Medeiros and family on Christmas.

Mrs. Ilah Mae Dycus of Oakland visited friends in Irvington last Tuesday.

Joe Gallagos returned to his home here Saturday after a two months visit with friends in Mexico.

Miss June Iannicelli of Hayward visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Van Ike at Irvington on Tuesday.

Jim Ives is reported to be convalescing at a Santa Clara hospital from injuries received in an automobile accident several weeks ago. His many friends are wishing him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mahaffy and Alice and Doris Thomas are expected to return to their home here soon, after visiting relatives in Montana.

FILBERT A. LEAL ANSWERS SUMMONS

IRVINGTON — Filbert A. Leal one time resident and the brother of Frank A. Leal of Irvington passed away at his home in San Leandro last Friday. He was a member of the U. P. E. C. Council No. 1 of San Leandro and a native of the Azore Islands. Services were held from the Estudillo Chapel of George B. Santos last Monday. Interment was made in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.



A BOND OF UNITY.—The handclasp of sincerity and partnership is used by artist John C. Atherton, of Bridgefield, Conn., to depict the close cooperation of the American people and their Government in financing the Defense Program through the sale of Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps. This poster was awarded first prize at the Museum of Modern Art exhibit in New York out of a large number of submitted drawings, and is being used on posters by business firms in advertising, and in numerous other forms to promote the sale of Defense Bonds and Stamps.

IRVINGTON SEEKS WOMEN TO SEW FOR RED CROSS

IRVINGTON — All members of the S.P.R.S.I. and the U.P.P.E.C. are urged to donate their services to the Red Cross by attending the sewing circle every Wednesday afternoon from 2 until 4 at the home of Mrs. George Enos. The first meeting will be held on January 7 and many of the members who are planning to attend have already donated much of their time to Red Cross work.

The Irvington council of the S. P.R.S.I. Number 105 was the first organization in the city of Irvington to purchase a defense Bond.

MISSION SAN JOSE

Miss Ruth Justus
Correspondent

Miss Doris Kramer of San Luis Obispo, a former St. Marys of the Palms student, spent the holidays here at the school visiting her old friends and the nuns. She will return to San Luis about January 5.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Scott of Petaluma were Christmas holiday visitors at the farm home of Miss Lillian Ladiges.

Edwin M. Fisk motored to Los Angeles to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hal Hempstead, this week to see Mrs. Fisk who has been recuperating there following a very serious operation performed a few weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clevenger of San Francisco, formerly of the Mission entertained all of her family on Christmas eve and day at their home there. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of the Clevenger home were: her mother, Mrs. Cassie Witherly and Richard, of the Mission; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ruskofsky, the former Helen Witherly, of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Witherly of Hayward, Mr. Ned Witherly and Miss Katherine Ward of San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rose and family, Dorothy, Anna Mae and Joseph Jr. of Vallejo were holiday guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Callahan.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Semas spent Christmas day at the home of her aunt in Pleasanton.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lawrence and family spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Amaral at Sunnyvale.

Due to illness Nelle Warren will not resume her studies at San Jose State this coming year.

Mr. Harley Justus of McClellan Field, Sacramento, returned to the family home here on Monday, December 22 and to spend the holidays with his family. He returned to his job as aircraft mechanic last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Nancy McGowan entertained relatives from Sunnyvale over the weekend.

MRS. NELSON PASSES

IRVINGTON — Friends were saddened on Christmas day to hear of the passing of Mrs. Ileen Nelson of the P. G. & E. She was the beloved wife of Bernard A. Nelson, the devoted mother of Rossine Jayne and Carl Bernard Nelson. She was the daughter of Mrs. Oscar P. Miller and sister of Lillian Miller of Alameda. She was a native of Oakland where friends were invited to attend the services at the Chapel of Memories last Saturday.

It has been definitely established that the rumor that Donald Dias lost both limbs at the Pearl Harbor incident is unfounded. Mr. Frank Dias father of the supposed cripple has heard from his son recently and he is safe and well.

Many local friends of Clifford Rogers were relieved to receive Christmas greetings and the knowledge that he is safe in Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Castro celebrated the Yuletide holiday with a festive dinner. The guests were Mrs. Beulah Banta and son Ray, Mrs. M. Darling, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pereira, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pereira, Manuel and Mariano Silva, Nelle Warren, Eleanor Costa and Private Anthony Cortez of Camp Bowie Texas.

Despite War worries, "Our Place" enjoyed a nite of gaiety on New Years Eve with a special orchestra and program. Black-out precautions were in full swing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kaiser of Hastings Nebraska arrived Christmas eve at the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson of the Mission Garage.

Joseph Silveria, Mission San Jose boy, is now a private in the U. S. Army. He visited his many friends here during a ten day furlough.

WANTED:

HIGH SCHOOL girl for housework after school; stay nights. Permanent position. Mrs. E. C. Grau, phone Niles 252. — 1 tfe

Wake Up, Americans!



Wake up, Americans!

Make America's answer roar out over the world.

Every citizen must back the United States Army and Navy to victory—back them with work and money.

Do your part: Buy United States Defense Bonds and Stamps at your post office, bank, or savings and loan association. Get Defense Stamps at your retail store or from the carrier boy of this newspaper.

DI GIULIOS HAVE SON

Mr. and Mrs. Louis DiGiulio of Niles are the proud parents of a seven pound son born Sunday noon in the San Jose Hospital. Mother and child are doing well.

BETSY ROSS PARLOR HONORS BRIDE-TO-BE

IRVINGTON — The Betsy Ross Parlor, N. D. G. W. held their annual Christmas party last Sunday afternoon, December 21, when a shower was given for Adeline Amaral of Irvington. Many useful and beautiful gifts were received by the honoree and each member present was presented with a present from the Christmas tree. Chairman Minnie Castelano and her committee Billie Leal, Marie Williams, Mary Amaral, Ida Francis, Evelyn Peixoto and Rita Oliveria served tempting refreshments and the tables were decorated in the Bridal motif with a large brides cake as the main centerpiece.

President Constance Amaral appointed Evelyn Garcia to purchase a Defense Bond in the denomination of \$100 for the Parlor. A Christmas basket was made up and Anna Rose was appointed to see that it was delivered to a needy family. Christmas donations were also sent to the Livermore Veterans Hospital and to the Chairman of Veteran Welfare for the Native Daughters. All future meetings of the Parlor will be held in the afternoons until further notice. Members of the Parlor have signed up for First Aid and Defense Work. Members who have relatives in the service were asked to give names and addresses and cartons of cigarettes will be sent to the boys from the Parlor.

Late congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rose following their recent elopement to Reno, Nevada. Mrs. Rose is the former Mary Souza of Niles where the couple is now residing.

GENERAL PRAISES COUNTY AIRCRAFT WARNING SERVICE

Commendation of the county's Aircraft Warning Service personnel was received today by District Attorney Ralph E. Hoyt, chairman of the Alameda County Council of Defense, in a letter from Major General William Ord Ryan of the Fourth Interceptor Command, United States Army, under whose orders the posts are being operated.

"We are going through a very trying period and it will take the best in all of us to defend the State of California against our enemy. Although your observers may not be in uniform and may not have commissions still you and they are doing one of the most important jobs that has to be done in the defense of California against air attack. Everyone is enthusiastic now but we must keep in mind that this will not be a short haul and we must become geared to a rather tough job. This means the building of a high morale, and the Interceptor Command is turning to you to see that this morale is built and maintained," General Ryan stated.

More than 500 observers are functioning in Alameda County, manning 16 observation posts 24 hours. The chief observers in Southern Alameda County are: Don Leidig, J. Bounds Christian and H. S. Hampton, Hayward; John J. Vieux, Niles; T. P. Harvey, Alvarado; Clyde L. Jones and John E. Dutra, Centerville; Mrs. Kate A. Freeman, Sunol; Earl Trimmingham and George A. Patterson, Pleasanton; W. Gatzmer Wagoner, S. E. Smith and Sam Ray, Livermore.

Manuel O. Silva has been confined to his bed, suffering from an attack of influenza.

JOY TO ALL!

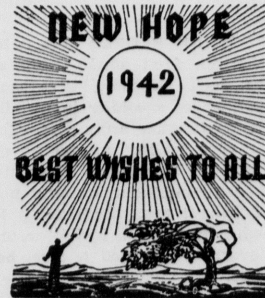


Blow, bagles, blow!
'Tis New Year again,
time to be jolly,
time to renew old
acquaintances, time
to make new
friends.

May 1942 bring a
fulfillment of your
ambitions, new
prosperity and in-
creasing happiness.
May it mark a truly
great milestone in
your life.

CHAS. UNDERWOOD

Union Service Station
Niles



A
Happy
New Year

"HOPE springs eternal in the human breast," and there could be no better time for bright new hopes than now, as we turn back a time-worn page. That many a ray of sunshine may fall upon that new page to which we now turn is our New Year's wish for you.

Drop in and see us. We're always at the same old stand, ready to serve you 100%.

SANITARY DAIRY

M. Ramos, Manager
Phone 137 — Niles

Editorial Page of the Township Register



VIEWS & OBSERVATIONS

By The
Editor

THE SONS OF THE setting sun do not observe Christmas. When their new premier Hiddy-kitty Tojo got into office he immediately went out into the suburbs of Tokyo and gave thanks to Isis, the sun god, or some other diabolical deity.

It makes a white man and a Christian shudder to think of American lives and property coming under the heels of such beathen.

BET A HAT when the fire siren first sounds for only a fire everyone will jump and put out their lights. Our ears are attuned now to sirens for black-out purposes and most citizens will react first, and think afterwards.

THE ESCAPE OF suicide is now forbidden German troops by official order. If a defeated soldier kills himself in desperation, then the nazis kill all the dead soldiers relatives, too, according to Broad-caster Gabriel Heater. Who said this wasn't a war of extermination?

TRAFFIC DEATHS in the United States amounted to 245 over the Christmas holiday alone. The 378 brave Marines defending Wake Island through 13 enemy attacks did not lose that many men. The announcement of our civilian deaths through the United States does not cause a ripple. It is accepted as routine.

The only cure seems to be traffic regulation by the federal government, which will infringe on States' rights and cause an awful howl. Up to the present, traffic regulation is a state function. What do you suggest should be done to reduce domestic traffic fatalities, except that the national government step in and pass uniform laws?

SUCH A BUSINESS! First there's so much to do nights here in the Township folks are kept busy stepping sideways trying to keep their appointments. — Now, A.W. (after the war) there is so little to do at night one can sit home nights and get acquainted with one's family — if one has a family.

AMERICANS ON THE mainland await anxiously from day to day for word that reinforcements have arrived in the Philippines to help in the defense of Manila, mercifully bombed Friday and Saturday after being declared an open city on Christmas Day.

Fighters from Kelly Field, destroyers from Hawaii, some sort of help to succor the Americans thus far left to their own defenses in our farthest-flung insular possession.

The third week of the war ends. Americans on the Homeland pray, with their hearts in their mouths, that our government has sent aid to save the Americans in the Philippines.

Our government has never yet failed to send support where it was most needed, in time of war.

It is time our government, all Allied governments, realized that International Law means nothing in this war; our enemies are not men, they are animals, and have to be exterminated as such. The only law they respect is guns, men and blood.

CAR-OWNERS MAY be "tired" of being warned to use their cars less and walk more; yet folks are still driving as usual the few blocks between their homes and church or the postoffice.

When your present tires give out you can have them re-treated at about half the cost of a new tire, to give about half the mileage of a new tire.

But! When any one of your car's four present tires can no longer be re-capped then your car can be jacked up in your garage for the remainder "of the duration."

Even taxicab companies and delivery trucks for retail stores like grocers and department stores cannot now buy new tires.

Until sufficient guayule rubber can be grown domestically to supply the rubber shortage — and experts say it will take two years — the private citizen will now think twice before he uses his car for any purpose except emergency use.

"A word to the wise," etc. Meantime how many new income tax payers are putting aside any money with which to meet the levy they must pay only 75 days from now? March 15 is the deadline.

FRANK E. ROGERS, FORMER publisher of The Township Register, remembered by many persons in Washington Township, has completed his first year of publishing a new weekly paper at Loyalton, high up in the California Sierra.

He executes an original idea in printing the Santa Claus theme on the cover of his 12-page Christmas edition in colors of red and blue, this country now being at war, instead of the conventional red and green of holiday custom.

Inside pages reveal he has re-organized an American Legion post in his mountain community, in appreciation of which the members of the Post elected him their Commander.

On the back page a modest ad reveals that Mr. Roger's son has engaged in the hauling business, featuring the slogan: "When better junk is hauled, we will haul it!"

Happy New Year and prosperity to the Rogers family, parked up in "them, thar hills" where the snow falls gently and the lordly mountains are a source of inspiration.

TO SAVE OR not to save? — A report sent this newspaper from the Office of Government Reports states "Civilian Supply Director Henderson said the war effort requires 50 pounds of waste paper a month from every family."

This may apply to the East Coast and the Middle West, but not — just at present — to the Pacific Coast. The largest buyer of waste paper on the coast advises that there is no paper shortage on the Pacific Coast. Normally there is a surplus of 1000 tons of waste paper per month heretofore sent to the Orient. With this market closed, waste paper is now reverting to trade use in the Pacific Coast states. The local market situation may change overnight, however, he warns.

In the same report mentioned in the first paragraph the OPM asks the public NOT to purchase new materials for blacking out windows and NOT to use surgical tape to protect windows from air raids. Use second hand material, or substitutes, is the suggestion indicated.

"I THINK PEOPLE take it too seriously, don't you? After all they can't do more than shoot you!" writes a soldier in training at a Washington army post. This is a very healthy outlook on the situation. He writes further: "We are continuing our training now and believe me, things are a lot tougher here and all fooling around is over." The food is fine, he writes.

SCANDAL HAS BROKEN loose in the San Francisco Civilian Defense set-up. Eric Cullenward resigned as head of the activity, saying the smell got too bad for him. Thousands of willing civilian volunteers who have signed up for defense duties have not been organized yet, nor given anything to do. — So reported a Tuesday newscast from a San Francisco station.

By contrast: Alameda County

"THE MARINES ARE LANDING!"



The latest weapon of Uncle Sam's Armed forces is the Amphibian Tank used exclusively by the United States Marines. Called "alligators", these floating armored tanks carrying 30 men fully armed, travel 25 miles an hour on land and 10 miles an hour in the water. (Photo released by U. S. Marine Corps.)

cities are blazing dead ahead with their work and a great deal of important defense activities have been organized and put into active operation.

Once upon a time two supposed gentlemen named Ruef and Schmitz, respectively political boss and mayor of San Francisco did a stretch at San Quentin when a certain earthquake exposed the political "dirt" which these parties had piled up. Another internal house-cleaning now seems to be in order in our sister city across the bay.

Seems an earthquake, war, or other act of God has to occur every so often in order to expose the wicked and their works. Your editor still cleaves to the belief there is a "tonic purge in war." Selah.

GIVE THE JAPS ENOUGH Manila and they will hang themselves' wisecracks a radio voice. Or add the letter "t" to the Japs' much-venerated "shoguns" and you'll have something they badly need used in their direction.

THE CITIES OF Martinez and Richmond are asking the state's anticipated "lend-lease" fund for about \$90,000 each with which to buy civilian defense material. San Leandro asks for about \$30,000.

Some 1700 citizens of San Leandro's relatively small population have signed up for civilian defense activities, about 1000 of whom are already attending classes covering their special activities, the San Leandro News-Observer reports. The larger centers are surely taking seriously the possibility of air raids and possible parachute invasions.

THE WORD IS "meticulous". It means careful, even excessive attention to detail. It is an instinct and some people don't have it — but it can be cultivated.

Successful business men as a rule are exceedingly careful of detail. Their desk is clear, their records are accurate, their heads are clear and they even take the habit of exactitude home with them where their personal possessions are all neatly kept in place; all in good condition and ready for instant use.

Many women seem to lack this habit for orderliness, as witness many a woman's dresser drawers and hand bags — save the mark — which contain so many articles who's use is past and of no value. The "magpie habit": that of de-

terminedly keeping every least article which comes into one's possession, even if it is of no possible earthly use now or in time to come closely resembles an obsession.

The New Year is here. It is time for new beginnings, a time for taking inventories and re-arranging stocks in business. Spring will come with its annual house-cleaning for the ladies.

Bless the New Year and the spring which follows, — both bringing opportunities to tidy up one's possessions and dispose of that which has become useless.

"System is the first law of nature." Q.e.d.

MANY OUTLYING districts of Alameda County are taking the Civilian Defense situation seriously. Among them, Livermore has undertaken and has about completed its refugee program for the Livermore Valley, working in conjunction with the City of Pleasanton. In case of mass evacuation from the bay cities following a possible bombing raid the communities to the east of Washington Township have made preparations to shelter, feed and clothe these civilian masses.

The mountaineers way back in the wilds of the Mt. Hamilton area, sensing their region would make an inviting landing point for possible parachute invaders, have organized themselves into an anti-parachute troop. The sharpshooters assert they can "hold the road between the Santa Clara and Livermore Valleys" against a sizeable force until proper reinforcements arrive.

San Jose police prowls cars have been equipped with new automatic rifles firing 45 calibre slugs, in addition to other arms usually carried by San Jose police officers.

SAFETYWAY STORE SALES in California during the first four weeks of December ran 26 percent above the same four weeks of 1940, the financial page of the daily newspapers reports.

Perhaps the fact that the Northern California Advertising manager in September placed regular weekly store advertising in newspapers only, and discontinued the printing and throwing away of 14,000 handbills in Southern Alameda County alone every week, may have contributed to this desirable end.

With a shortage of newsprint to be expected, the printing of store handbills and advertising "re-

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NEW YEAR, 1942

New Year's Day, 1942, will dawn upon a blackened, sick, freezing, hungry Europe — upon fresh graves of children dead of starvation in Greece — upon homeless peasants by the million in Western Russia and the Balkans, where, in the wake of armies, creep the exterminator Typhus.

The day will dawn upon peoples not only destitute but betrayed and spirit-broken in the Norway of Quisling, the France of Petain, the Belgium of Leopold. It will dawn upon an embattled Britain facing an almost certain attempt at direct invasion before the year is half out — to be preceded, unquestionably, by the most vicious ordeal by fire from the sky that the genius of destruction can devise.

New Year's Day, 1942, will dawn upon an American people untouched by epidemic or famine; a people exchanging greetings in great cities where streets are lined with shops filled with every necessity of life, exchanging greetings in rural communities where lush farms and grazing lands guarantee that hunger and the epidemics of malnutrition can never blight America; a people comforted by the knowledge that the gallant soldiers, sailors, flyers and marines defending their country are equipped with the best ships, planes, guns, food and medical care in all the world — and sure in the faith that American resources, enterprise and courage will make final victory inevitable; a people, above all, serene in conscience that their cause is just, their shield unsullied.

Whatever may come in the murky future, America is superbly equipped, materially and spiritually, to meet it. In a humble sense of gratitude to Providence, the American people, of all the world, are the most favorably endowed, the most fortunate — the truly happiest people on earth this New Year, 1942.

prints may be discontinued. There will always be newspapers however, both small and large, for merchants' use. The government has long since classified printing and publishing as one of the 21 indispensable industries of the nation. The way mats and releases from government sources daily pour into the newspapers, even small newspapers, should convince the public of the government's attitude towards the newspaper business. A free press is one of our "Four Freedoms", and greatly to be safeguarded.

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Medals and decorations in the United States Navy are, for the most part, worn on the left breast. This custom may be traced from the practice of the Crusaders of the Middle Ages wearing the badge of honor of their orders near the heart.

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Wine Bottling license
Anyone desiring to protest the
issuance of such license may file
a verified protest with the State
Board of Equalization at Sacra-
mento, California, stating grounds
for denial as provided by law. The
premises are now licensed for
the sale of alcoholic beverages.

Upon advice of Dr. L. H. Buehler of Niles, who was called to the W. T. Lindsay home at 1 o'clock Saturday morning, Miss Elizabeth

Mrs. Jess Shriver of Santa Rosa is visiting her brother J. A. McDonald and family over the holi-

By buying Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps regularly you can help the Defense Program and, at the same time, help yourself and your family.

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OTHER NEW YEAR'S BEVERAGES

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Bottled—29-oz. bot. (Plus dep.) 10¢

Pepsi-Cola 12-oz. bottle
Plus deposit 6 for 25¢

Sno-Cola 12-oz. bottle
Plus deposit 6 for 23¢



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Plus deposit 12-oz. bottle 3 for 26¢ 12-oz. can 10¢

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Plus deposit 12-oz. bottle 4 for 26¢ 12-oz. can 32¢

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Quart bottle 17¢ 12-oz. can 49¢

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Whole Roast
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SCHILLING'S
1-lb. can

31¢

FEWAWAY

POSITION FOR POSTMASTER AT IRVINGTON OPEN

APPLICATIONS MUST BE ON FILE IN WASHINGTON PRIOR TO JAN. 9, 1942

IRVINGTON — Either men or women who have resided in or near Irvington for one year past may make application for the position of Postmaster at the Irvington Postoffice, the United States Civil Service Commission advises this newspaper.

Applications must be on file in Washington prior to January 9, 1942, and the examination will be held at Niles at a place and on a date to be announced.

The date for assembling of com-

petitors will be stated on the admission cards sent applicants after the date for the close of receipt of applications, and will be about 15 days after that date.

In order to be eligible for the examination, an applicant must be a citizen of the United States, must have actually resided within the delivery of the post office for which the examination is held, or within the city or town where such office is situated, for at least one year immediately preceding the date fixed for the close of receipt of applications, must be in good physical condition, and within the prescribed age limits. The competition is open to both men and women.

The civil Service Commission will certify the names of the highest three qualified eligibles to the Postmaster General who shall thereupon submit the name of the eligible selected to the President for nomination. Confirmation by the Senate is the final action.

Applicants will be required to assemble in an examination room for written tests, and will also be rated on their education and business or professional experience, general qualifications and suitability. The Civil Service Commission will make an impartial inquiry among representative patrons of the office, both men and women, concerning the experience, ability, and character of each applicant, and the evidence thus secured will be considered in determining the ratings to be assigned to the applicants. The commission is not interested in the political, religious, or fraternal affiliations of any applicant.

Full information and application forms may be obtained at the post office for which the examination is held, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Applications must be on file in the office of the Commission at Washington, D. C., not later than January 9, 1942.

REBEKAHS TO MEET

The next meeting of the Niles Rebekah lodge will be held on Friday evening, January 2. After a short business session Jennie Mohn, Noble Grand, will entertain the officers of the lodge at cards. The lodge will also entertain the members whose birthdays occurred in October, November

HAVE YOU GIVEN TO THE RED CROSS?

To the Citizens of Washington Township:
The Japanese bombs that fell on Honolulu found your American Red Cross ready for instant action. Before the dust had settled from that first surprise attack on December 7th Red Cross workers were in the field giving first aid, providing food, clothing and medical supplies and setting up shelters for families made homeless by the ravages of total war. The present blackouts in the bay region are forceful reminders of our own vulnerability to bombing and its aftermath of civilian havoc. It is urgent that our Red Cross Chapters place themselves immediately on a basis of full war time preparation. This will require a great deal of money. A fifty million fund is now being raised nationally, and some of that fund may be needed right here in Washington Township, to help us to prepare to meet the threats of injury to life and property by bombing. I appeal to those who can afford it to make liberal donations, and thus provide the leadership so urgently needed in rallying the general public to the support of this emergency. I will be most appreciative of your helpfulness by seeking out your local committee and not waiting for them to come to you. The following have been named Chairmen in the various towns of Washington Township. Alvarado, John R. Blacow, Centerville, M. P. Mathiesen; Decoto, Harry Searles; Irvington, Carl Christensen, Mission San Jose, Frank Semas; Newark, Anthony E. Francis; Niles, Robert A. Blacow; Warm Springs, Joseph S. Brown.

F. T. DUSTERERRY
Chairman—Washington Township

FUNERAL RITES HELD FOR LATE J. L. OLSON

DECOTO — Funeral Rites were held in a Hayward Mortuary for the late J. L. Olson, 66, prominent Decoto merchant and civic leader, who passed away in his sleep from a heart attack Christmas morning. Interment was made in the Holy Ghost cemetery at Centerville.

Members of the Wisteria Lodge of Native Sons of Alvarado of which Olson was a charter member and which was recently merged with Washington Parlor at Centerville officiated at the funeral services. Pall bearers were Harry Searles, Peter Decoto, Harry Haines, John Ralph, Joseph Abreu and E. A. Richmond.

Survivors are the widow, Harriet of Decoto and a brother, Charles, of Berkeley. The deceased was a native of Alvarado and had been in the merchandizing business in Decoto for about 35 years.

He was a member of the Decoto U.P.E.C. and for many years was known as one of the community's outstanding philanthropists and civic leaders. His parents were among the earliest settlers of Alvarado.

and December. On the refreshment committee are Jennie Mohn, Rose Fournier and Kathryn Parry. Arrangements will also be made for installation which will be held on Friday, January 16, under the direction of Ruth Mitchell of Livermore, District Deputy President of District 53.

LIONS CLUB TO GATHER BOOKS FOR SERVICEMEN

CENTERVILLE — Purchase of \$500 worth of defense bonds and the gathering of books to be forwarded to army and navy centers are two patriotic projects undertaken at a recent meeting of the Centerville Lions club with Alvin Morse presiding.

Residents of the Township are asked to scan their libraries for books which will be sent to men in the armed service of the country following a concentrated drive in January by the Lions.

Plans for this event were made at a recent meeting at which time funds were donated to the Centerville Parent-Teacher Association to purchase meat for Christmas baskets.

The club is also contacting the State Division of Highways for permission to install pedestrian cross-walks in the business center of Centerville and is making plans for the amateur talent parade to be held in the Spring.

Centerville Lad Enlisting; Wants To Sell New Car

(Special to the Register)

CENTERVILLE — James Emerson, local youth, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Emerson and a graduate of Washington Union High school is winding up his personal affairs in order to enlist in the United States Marines.

He has for sale a 1940 Chevrolet Coupe, special deluxe model, as good as new, which has been placed in the hands of Romeo Brunelli, manager of the Central Chevrolet company here for quick sale. The car may be seen on the floor. It is equipped with radio and is still an almost-new car and will make a good buy for some local citizen who feels his present old car will not last "for the duration."

NEWARK ORGANIZES EMERGENCY LAW AND ORDER GROUP

NEWARK — The Emergency Law and Order Group met at the Newark Fire Station on Christmas eve to discuss problems that may arise during blackouts, and to assign various sections of the town in which groups could patrol.

This group has been deputized by Sheriff Gleason of Alameda County and by using good judgment and good reasoning this group will see that all citizens in Newark will have no lights shining through windows, and that everyone with the exception of deputies and other civilian officers will not be standing or driving on the highway during a blackout.

They have divided the Newark Fire District into seven sections, which is to be patrolled by the sheriff's deputy during blackouts. Each section is to call on citizens for additional help, if needed, due to shortage of sheriff's deputies in Newark. H. J. Bolyard, foreman at the Morton Salt Company is the leader of the Newark group.

BID AWARDED ON NILES FLOOD DRAINAGE PROJECT

Secretary A. J. Petsche read a communication from the State Office of Civilian Defense at the Niles Chamber of Commerce luncheon held Monday noon in the City of Florence Restaurant, requesting that the Niles body express its views on universal daylight saving.

Following considerable discussion the secretary was instructed to write the State OCD that Niles would obviously "go along" with any daylight saving plan carried out on a state or national basis.

Contractor E. E. Dias reported unofficially that the bid for the state highway department's share of building the Niles Flood Control project had been awarded for \$18,500 and work was supposed to start within 10 days of the awarding of the contract.

The material is already on the ground, he said, and the Southern Pacific Railroad had completed 120 feet of its part of the system, under its main line tracks at Niles and still had 225 feet to construct.

It was unanimously voted that the Chamber's account for lighting the two Neon NILES signs on Highway 17 should be closed "for the duration."

E. F. Glassbrook, Niles member of the inactive Township Civilian Defense Council, reported that the members felt their work would interfere with that of county authorities, so had adjourned subject to the call of the chairman, A. W. Ebright.

Walter Wayne, who collected \$5 from the membership last month which was given to the Niles Junior Chamber as a prize in the proposed outdoor Christmas tree lighting contest, abandoned because of black-out regulations, received a return of this sum from the Junior Chamber and in turn repaid it to individual members of the Senior body who had made personal contributions to this activity.

SPORTSMEN TO INSTALL

NEWARK—The Newark Sportsmen Club held their regular meeting Tuesday evening at Butlers Hotel. The following officers will be installed January 13 by the San Leandro Sportsmen Club: President, Dick Jolly; Vice-president, Pete Cozzi; Secretary, E. J. Keener; Financial Secretary, Chris Mikkelsen; Treasurer, Joe Milani; Chairman, Joe Machado; and Sergeant-at-arms, Bert Overeen. Refreshments followed the meeting.

Niles Theatre

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January 2, 3

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OUTLAWS OF THE DESERT

Wheel of Fortune Saturday

SUNDAY & MONDAY
January 4, 5

RONALD REGAN in INTERNATIONAL SQUADRON

— also —
MOONLIGHT IN HAWAII

with JOHNNY DOWNS
SUNNIE O'DEA

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
January 7, 8

BOB HOPE PAULETTE GODDARD in NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

BOWL NIGHT WEDNESDAY

PIPE LINES

By Ernie Frick

Howdy Folks; It's near the first of the year and we turn our thoughts to the eternal money question — how to get it.

They say that money goes farther than it did. Yeah, and it stays away longer, too.

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for us to express to each of you personally the gratitude we feel for your kindness to us in 1941. So we are simply sending this "blanket vote of thanks" to our many friends and customers with the wish that with New Year's dawn will come a brighter, happier future for you.

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